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In re Application of :
Edward T. Hessel et al. :
Application No. 09/898,844 :
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed August 22, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

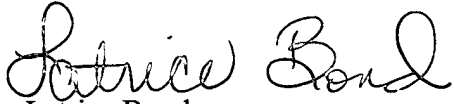
The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner in reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application (Notice) mailed August 20, 2001, which set a period for reply of Two Months (2) from the mail date of the Notice. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 have been obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on October 21, 2001.

37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Since the statement contained in the instant petition varies from the language required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), the statement is being construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) and petitioner must notify the Office if this is **not** a correct interpretation of the statement.

This application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 308-6911.

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